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# **Academic Qualifications**

Year	Degree	Institute
Aug 2020 - Sep 2021	M.Tech, Electrical Engineering	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur
Aug 2016 - July 2020	B.Tech, Electrical Engineering	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur
March 2015	AISSCE	Air Force School, Viman Nagar, Pune
March 2013	AISSE	Air Force School, Viman Nagar, Pune

### Research Interests

• Deep Learning, Computer vision, Incremental Learning, Self-Supervised Learning, Medical Imaging

### Scholastic Achievements

- Secured All India Rank 636 in JEE Advanced 2016 (99.682 percentile)
- Secured 99.18 percentile in JEE Mains 2016
- Holder of Prime Minister Scholarship

### Publications

- Multi-Input Fusion for Practical Pedestrian Intention Prediction , Ankur Singh, Upendra Suddamalla .
  - Accepted at ICCV Workshops 2021 [Link]
- The Curious Case of Convex Networks, Sarath Sivaprasad, Ankur Singh, Naresh Manwani, Vineet Gandhi.
  - Accepted at ECML 2021 [Link]
- CT Image Synthesis Using Weakly Supervised Segmentation and Geometric Inter-Label Relations For COVID Image Analysis, Dwarikanath Mahapatra, Ankur Singh, Behzad Bozorgtabar. Under Review at MedIA [Link]
- Pedestrian Intention Prediction with Multi-Input Concatenation, Ankur Singh, Upendra Suddamalla.
  - Accepted at CVPR Workshops 2021 [Link]
- Video Colorization using CNNs and Keyframes Extraction: An application in saving bandwidth, Ankur Singh, Anurag Chanani, Harish Karnick. Accepted at CVIP '19 Oral [Link].

# Research Experience

• Semi-Supervised Super Resolution, M.Tech thesis [Link] With Prof. Piyush Rai, Prof. Vipul Arora, IIT Kanpur

(Sep' 20-Ongoing)

- Introduced a semi-supervised approach to tackle the problem of Single-Image Super-Resolution using ESRGANs.
- Proposed a consistency loss to convert unpaired low-resolution images to high-resolution images.
- Quantitative and qualitative experiments proved the efficacy of the proposed approach over other methods.

### • Pedestrian Intention Estimation

(Sep' 20-Ongoing)

### Research Intern, Moovita Singapore

- Proposed an intention prediction network that utilizes pedestrian bounding boxes, pose, bounding box coordinates.
- The network implicitly learns pedestrians' motion cues and location information to differentiate between intentions.
- Experimented with different combinations of input features and proposed multiple efficient models.

# • Convex Neural Networks

(Aug' 20-Nov '20)

# With Prof. Vineet Gandhi, IIIT Hyderabad

- Investigated a constrained formulation of neural networks where the output is a convex function of the input.
- Showed that these networks have outstanding generalization ability and robustness to label noise
- Experiments showed that convex MLP networks outperform vanilla MLP on standard image classification datasets

## • Medical Imaging for Covid Image Analysis

(April '20-July '20)

### With Dr. Dwarikanath Mahapatra, Inception Institute of Artifical Intelligence

- Generated synthetic images to train networks for segmenting COVID-19 infected areas from lung CT images.
- Introduced a weakly supervised segmentation (WSS) step that segments a CT image into different labeled regions.
- The generated segmentation maps are used to model the geometric relationship between the different pathological regions.

### • Adversarial Incremental Learning

With Prof. Vinay Namboodiri, IIT Kanpur

- Formulated an approach using **Adversarial Learning** to tackle class-incremental learning in image classification.
- The proposed model neither used exemplars nor any generative examples to preserve information about the old tasks.
- Obtained state of the art results in class-incremental learning on CIFAR-100, MNIST and SVHN datasets.

# • Video Colorization using CNNs and Keyframes Extraction (CVIP '19 Oral) With Prof. Harish Karnick, IIT Kanpur

(Aug '18-Nov '18)

(May '19-Nov '19)

- Developed an end to end framework that extracts key frames from a colored video and trains a Convolutional Neural Network from scratch on these colored frames.
- Saved **two thirds** of bandwidth while transmitting a video using the proposed method.
- The whole process starting from key frames extraction to training a model and then obtaining the colored output video, happened in **near real-time** using the proposed method.

# • ECG arrhythmia classification using 2D CNN

(May '18-July '18)

Vios Medical, Bangalore

- Used **2-Dimensional CNNs** instead of the traditional LSTM models to detect arrhythmia in ECG signals.
- Achieved an accuracy of 98.31 in classifying 6 different types of arrhythmia using different classification networks
- Github Repository of the project currently has 148 stars and 82 forks

# Other Projects

### • Medical Imaging for Breast Cancer detection

(Apr '20-May '20)

- Worked on BACH Grand Challenge for Computer Aided Detection of Breast Cancer from medical images.
- Used Self Supervised Learning to pre-train networks for tackling less medical data.
- Achieved an accuracy of 89% on the test set.

• GANs

(Apr' 20)

- Did a literature survey on different GANs such as Least Squares GANs, Cycle GANs, Super-Resolution GANs
- Implemented Least Squares GANs, Cycle GANs and Super-Resolution GANs in Pytorch

### • Self-Supervised Learning

(Aug '19-Nov '19)

- Did literature survey of various self-supervised learning techniques using different pretext tasks.
- Experimented with different pretext tasks such as predicting image rotations, edge detection in images etc

### • Hierarchical Face localization and Drowsiness detection

(Dec '18)

- Developed a near-realtime approach for heirarchical face localization and drowsiness detection.
- Used temporal features of the video for drowsiness detection.

### • Word Boundary detection

(Aug '18 - Nov '18)

- Used MFCC Vectors and spectrograms to detect word boundaries in speech.
- Used Convolution Neural Networks on spectrograms for word boundaries.

#### • Tweets Classification

(Dec '17)

- Classified tweets mentioning personal intake of medicine in twitter using LSTM and Bidirectional LSTM.
- Used self trained word embedding models to pre process the tweets using Word2Vec.

### • Prosthetic Arm

(May '17 - June '17)

- Engineered an artificial gripper on the concept of prosthetics using 3D printing and communication via Bluetooth.
- Employed micro-controllers(Arduino ATmega and Nano) to communicate with an auxilliary glove having flex sensors.

## Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: Python, C, Matlab
- Machine Learning Tools: Pytorch, Keras, Tensorflow, Sklearn, Numpy, OpenCV, Pandas, NLTK, Matplotlib, PIL

# Relevant Coursework

- Visual Recognition
- Image Processing
- Probability and Statistics

- Machine Learning
- Fundamentals of Computing
- Introduction to Real Analysis

- Neural Networks
- Linear Algebra
- Complex Variables